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Game On!

By Timothy M. Casey

Time For Hockey, eh?: A Zamboni machine prepares to resurface the ice at Floyd Hall Ice Arena where area high school teams have already begun to play. The rink is slated to be ready for Montclair State students at the end of February in a ceremony where Governor Whitman is expected to attend.

Food addictions threaten physical and mental health

By Carolyn Velchik

“Life is dominated by quests to be slimmer, more attractive or not to eat so much.”

Food addiction is the chronic, habitual, or periodic consumption or restriction of food to the point that it injures health, or interferes with social, economic, or emotional functioning on a continuing basis.

A food addict is a person who has lost the ability to know how much food their body needs or what kind of food. They also have lost the ability to know how much is enough and are driven by the phenomenon of craving. Currently, in the United States alone, there are twenty million people that are either dieting or are trying to control their weight. Between exercise, crash dieting, fasting, liquid diets, laxatives and liposuction, it is a thirty-three billion-dollar business.

“I ate three grapes. I am a horrible person.” Many find this statement amusing, however this is one way a food addict may think. Food is supposed to be healthy and nourishing, however to them, food is perceived as a toxin.

Nancy Ellson, director/nurse practitioner at the Health and Wellness Center sees this disease as an “addictive illness.” Food addicts possess a compulsive behavior, a need to be in control of their bodies. They use food to medicate pain, just like an alcoholic with alcohol or a drug addict with drugs. What we need to do is find other ways to avoid using food in a non-abusive way.

Rugby Club prepares for historic season

By Damian Albanese

While the men’s varsity tennis, lacrosse and baseball teams are gearing up for their upcoming spring seasons, the MSU Mens Rugby Club will also be doing a little training of their own in preparation for their first season in nearly two decades. Although rugby is not a varsity sport here, the athletes involved are treating it as if it were one.

This is the second time around for the Montclair State team; the first broke apart for apparent lack of interest. However, the sport is much bigger now and more recognized than ever before. Brotherhood, a concept associated with many sports, is an intrinsic aspect of rugby and especially this MSU squad. Rugby is not just a bunch of guys beating the hell out of each other for eighty minutes, it is a group of men finding a new meaning for the word brotherhood. To coin a phrase it is a barbarians game played by gentlemen.

Are politics a thing of the past?

By Ken Szczek

According to a survey released earlier this month there are a record low number of college freshmen showing interest in politics. According to the survey performed by UCLA just 14% of the 1.6 million college freshmen in the US said that they frequently discuss politics. This number is down from the 30% that was reported in 1968. In a survey performed around MSU it was discovered that 15% of people polled frequently discussed politics, while this is above the national average it is...
Netanyahu makes effort towards peace

WASHINGTON - Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu brought a proposal for a modest pullback on the West Bank to President Clinton Tuesday. He said he was putting forward a "package of goodwill" that required concessions from the Palestinians as well.

Later, he told reporters any pullback depended on assurances Israel's security would be shielded and that the Palestinians fulfilled past pledges to Israel.

The proposal was likely to fall short of Palestinian aspirations and Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, in a separate 90-minute meeting with Netanyahu, urged "a sizable and credible" pullback, her spokesman, James P. Rubin, said.

First cows successfully cloned in Boston

BOSTON - Researchers announced today that they have successfully cloned two identical, genetically engineered calves, a step that could lead to the mass production of drugs for humans in cows' milk.

named George and Charlie, the male calves born last week were created through a combination of cloning and genetic engineering by Dr. James Robl at the University of Massachusetts and Dr. Steven Stice of Advanced Cell Technology Inc.

The calves aren't the first animal clones with altered genes - lambs Molly and Polly have a human gene expected to make them produce a protein helpful in blood clotting. But even Dr. Ian Wilmut, the Scottish researcher who genetically engineered the lambs and the now-famous Dolly, acknowledged that drug-making cows could be more valuable because cows produce much more milk than sheep.

Kaczynski competent to stand trial

SACRAMENTO, Calif. - Theodore Kaczynski is competent to stand trial, prosecutors and defense lawyers for the Unabomber suspect agreed Tuesday morning.

But the question of who would represent Kaczynski - his current defense team, a new set of attorneys or the defendant himself - was not immediately resolved.

Both the government and Kaczynski's current lawyers agreed that the defendant meets the standards for trial - that he understands what is happening and is capable of assisting his lawyers in his defense.

Pope's visit to draw huge crowds in Cuba

HAVANA - The sprawling Plaza of the Revolution has filled many times since Fidel Castro's guerrillas came to power in 1959, but never for anything like the papal Mass planned for Jan. 25.

But while John Paul II has been widely credited with helping topple communism in eastern Europe, his visit to Cuba this week will be focused on helping the island's 10 million Catholics.

Cuba's Christians - Protestant as well as Roman Catholic - say they hope it will expand freedom of worship, which was sharply restricted from 1962 until 1992, when the government proclaimed itself secular rather than atheist.

Talks continue between Iraq & U.N.

BAGHDAD, Iraq - Facing a threat to end cooperation with the United Nations, the chief U.N. weapons inspector held a second day of talks today to persuade Iraq to work with his teams.

Richard Butler arrived Monday in Baghdad, where he dismissed an Iranian deadline for arms inspectors to finish their work and accused Baghdad of concealing banned weapons material.

A first round of talks ended Monday night, but neither side disclosed whether progress was made. Butler and other U.N. officials began another round of talks today with Iraqi officials, including Deputy Prime Minister Tariq Aziz and Oil Minister Amer Mohammed Rashid. More talks are planned beginning Feb. 1 to evaluate the progress on eliminating warheads.

White House reveals new anti-drug campaign

ATLANTA - Youngsters in 12 U.S. cities will be bombarded over the next four months by a $20 million anti-drug campaign unveiled Tuesday in Atlanta.

White House drug czar Barry McCaffrey outlined details of the advertising blitz, which is part of the Clinton administration's $195 million nationwide media campaign against illicit drugs.

"Drug use among our children is alarmingly high, in large part because today's young people are not fully aware of the risks drugs pose," McCaffrey said.

The advertisements shown to political leaders, drug prevention groups, youngsters and parents who were invited to the Cable News Network studios, targeted the ages of 9 and 17.

SGA News & Notes

by Jamie D. Ruffalo

Legislative Drive The SGA will be sponsoring a legislative drive to encourage student involvement on campus. Petitions and free hot chocolate will be provided in front of the Student Center on Jan. 28. All petitions must be completed and handed into the SGA office by Feb. 13. Petitions can also be picked up outside the office which is located in the SC by the University Bookstore.

Campus Security Program On Wednesday Feb. 4, the campus police will be presenting a program regarding campus safety and security issues at our weekly meeting which is held at 4 p.m. Wed, on the fourth floor of the Student Center.

SGA Researches Parking Garages Last semester, a private consultant was contracted by the SGA when students expressed a growing concern for the need of better parking on campus. The consultant was hired to research the cost and building procedures of the garage.

SGA Offers Free Condoms Due to the lack of availability of free condoms in the Health and Wellness center, the SGA invested unspent funds from last semester to provide free condoms to anyone who wants them. They are currently available in the SGA office.

Committee Meetings and Times Mon. 1/26 at 3 p.m. - Government and Administration committee; Mon. 1/26 at 4 p.m. - Appropriations committee; Tues. 1/27 at 1 p.m. - Constitutional Review committee; Fri. 1/30 at 3 p.m. - Welfare and Internal Affairs committee.

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Public Telescope Night’s viewing season begins

By Tom Boud

Staff Writer

Public Telescope Night will be kicking off the spring 1998 viewing season on January 22 at 8 PM in front of Richardson Hall weather allowing, according to Astronomy Professor Dr. Mary-Lou West on January 20. West said Saturn will be the main attraction at the January 22 telescope night.

“Right now, Saturn is the planet to see. It’s just beautiful to look at. Saturn’s rings are not edge on, so you’ll be able to look at them nicely. You will also be able to make out two or three of Saturn’s moons,” West said. According to the American Heritage Dictionary, Saturn is 886 million miles away, 74,000 miles in diameter, and 95 times more massive than the Earth. Saturn orbits the sun once every 29.5 years. West said the public will also have the opportunity to view other celestial bodies such as constellations, nebulae, globular clusters, and double stars through two university owned telescopes. West added that no additional planets will be discernible.

“Jupiter is setting earlier and earlier, so it will no longer be visible by telescope time. Mars will also be setting. By 8 o’clock, Mars will be out of our field of view. It’ll be behind Mallory Hall,” West said. However, West said that both Mars and Jupiter will put on a special show on January 29 right after sunset. At that time, both objects will be flanking the moon in crescent phase.

West said the she is gearing up for a partial solar eclipse that will hit the greater New York metropolitan area on February 26 from 12:30-2 PM. West said the eclipse will achieve a maximum of 22 percent totality. “It’ll look like an overcast day, if the sky is perfectly clear to begin with. It won’t be dark enough for the stars to come out. I’ll have solar filters, so that people can safely see the eclipse,” West said. West also said the eclipse will reach 100 percent totality over a narrow band crossing northern Venezuela and the southern Caribbean. West added that the next such eclipse is not going to happen anywhere in the western hemisphere until the year 2017.

Public Telescope Night has been bringing the stars closer to the MSU Community for nearly 28 1/2 years. Public Telescope Night meets every clear Thursday at 8 PM by the Richardson Hall plaza. For further information, please call Dr. Mary-Lou West of MSU Physics Department at 655-7266.

Ortiz to lead twenty member search committee

The Presidential Search Committee as appointed by the Board of Trustees:

Committee Chair: Carlos Ortiz

VOTING MEMBERS

Six faculty:
Karen Todd of Education and Human Services
Saundra Collins of Humanities and Social Sciences
Roland Garrett of Humanities and Social Sciences
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Larry Londino of the Arts
Lee Primiano of Business

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Geoffrey Newman of the arts

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Leonard Wheeler

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Kenneth Brook

COMMITTEE CHAIR: Carlos Ortiz, Board of Trustees member, will head the Presidential Search Committee.
Rugby Club prepares for season

Led by first year coach Daniel Marain, the team has an optimistic outlook for the upcoming season. While many members of the team are rookies to the sport, they have plenty of heart and the desire to win. The MSU Rugby team is the fastest growing team here on campus.

“We are always looking for guys with heart and soul to help the team succeed in all of our endeavors,” said Marain. Currently the team is seeking sponsorship with the Carter Wallace Company who markets Trojan Condoms, since the rugby team is not relying on too much funding from the university, they have to go on sponsorships.

“Sponsorship is a key element to the success of the team, without funding from outside sources we have no money for uniforms or tournament entries,” said team member Chris DeMarco.

The team has a schedule for the upcoming season. They look forward to playing Drew University, Seton Hall, Rutgers University, and entering some tournaments. They did participate in a game last semester against Seton Hall who quickly became a fierce rival. MSU lost, but performed well for their first match.

“They came into the game looking for an easy match, they beat us, but we dominated the game physically,” said DeMarco. We showed them we weren’t just a bunch of guys looking for a good time. We are serious rugby players,” said team member Chris DeMarco.

The sport of Rugby is a mix between soccer and football, and is just a little bit more physically challenging than both. The sport consists of two fifteen man squads trying to score on each other by passing, kicking, and carrying the ball across the “try line,” which is basically like the end zone of a football field.

The team is still searching for new players. Although some team members have prior experience, the majority of the players do not. Interested students can benefit from the high level of physical activity, as well as the experience of working as part of a team. Practice is held every Thursday at 5:00 p.m. at the Fieldhouse.

Weather hotline created

A weather hotline has been created to provide information regarding the effect of adverse weather on regular University classes and programs. You can call the hotline at 973-785-7810. The hotline will be activated only if there has been a decision made to alter the regular schedule of University activities. In the absence of a current and specific message, assume that the University remains on regular schedule.

Eating disorders prevalent on college campuses, health center offers help

Many question whether these disorders can be treated. The answer is yes. Although treatment for some may be more difficult than others, they are all treatable. Kay Sheppard feels that “food addicts must get stabilized, or physically ready to recover.” In order to break the cycle, food addicts in all disorders must have a complete withdrawal, get on a food plan, learn about the addictive properties of food, and get oriented to a twelve-step program.

Sheppard specifically feels that there are three A’s to recovery: “awareness, acceptance, and action.”

Mary Bellofatto, M.A., L.C.S.W., L.M.H.C., CEDS, and CEDT feels “goals of treatment include increasing self esteem, and exploring leisure time activities.”

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Lastly, in order to create a complete balance, addicts must change underlying hidden feelings.

A withdrawal with duration of ten days must also occur. This is while the toxins/drugs are taken out of the diet and such things as milk fresh vegetables, and whole grains are added in. Although the detox symptoms of this withdrawal mimic the flu, withdrawal motivates towards comfort, reward, and eventually feeling better.

There is a risk in many for addiction. People at greatest risk have such characteristics as extreme fear of becoming fat, distorted body image, obsession with food, unusual eating or drinking habits, and emotional disturbances.

The most important aspect to remember when thinking about food addiction is that it can be treated. If you or anyone who you know has any one of the food addiction disorders mentioned, or you think you or anyone that you know is at risk, contact one of the following places.


On campus, you can contact Nancy Ellison, RN, MSN, CS, FNP, and the director/nurse practitioner at the Health and Wellness Center in her office at 655-7555. Nurse Nancy urges that “it is okay to have an eating disorder. If you never let anyone know then it can not be fixed.” Health Services is a local, confidential place for addicts to begin on their road to recovery. Here you can access the right resources, referrals, and therapy you need to recover.

Please seek help for you or someone you know before it is too late.

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Many feel that an eating disorder is “okay” or not a big deal, but Kay Sheppard differs in her analysis of food addiction. “Food addiction is suffering. It is a serious, painful disease.” Not only is this disease mentally harmful, it is physically harmful. Medical complications such as hypertension, cardiovascular disease, kidney failure and diabetes may occur.

There are three forms of food addiction: bulimia, anorexia, and compulsive overeating or binge-eating disorder.

Anorexia is described as an obsessive desire to lose weight by refusing to eat.

Anorexics eat very little food, exercise all day, and spend their time thinking about food, and low self-esteem. Others include throwing up and taking pills like laxatives or diuretics. One reason this eating disorder is serious is because women may stop having periods. Others include rashes, hair and nail loss, and starvation, for 5-18 percent of people with anorexia die.

People with bulimia have an intense fear of gaining weight. They control their weight by dieting, fasting, exercising very hard, and most importantly bingeing and purging. Eating large amounts of food in a short period of time is binging. Purging is throwing up or using laxatives after you eat. The average bulimic has two eating binges a week, secretly, and although they may enjoy the binge at the time, they feel guilty and depressed later. Medical complications of this eating disorder include throat and dental problems, heart disease, and stomach and intestine problems.

People with a compulsive overeating or binge-eating disorder are preoccupied with food, yet are unable to control their eating, leading to weight gain and weight loss. They feel out of control with their eating, a feeling is “goals of treatment include increasing self esteem, and exploring leisure time activities.”

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Criminal Mischief

Male Stone Hall resident returned to his parked car in Lot 17 and discovered the hood scratched and his antenna broken.

Harassment

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Female Blanton Hall resident reports two unwanted phone calls.

Medical

Female Bohn Hall resident using a pay phone falls after becoming dizzy. Montclair ambulance responded. Victim refused transport.

Female Bohn Hall resident reports receiving numerous harassing phone calls over a two day period.

Female Bohn Hall resident reports difficulty breathing. Oxygen was administered by arriving officers. Victim was transported by ambulance to Mountainside Hospital.

Medical

Female Blanton Hall resident reports a rapid heart rate and feeling sick after smoking marijuana in her dorm room. Victim was transported to Mountainside Hospital.

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Female Blanton Hall resident transported by ambulance to Mountainside Hospital after suffering from a high fever.

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Female guest of a Bohn Hall resident injured her back while picking up clothes. Victim was transported by ambulance to Mountainside Hospital.

Cds/Suspicious Activity

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1/16/98

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Male Bohn Hall resident reports his car parked in lot 19 was "keyed" after arguing with a female he was dating.

1/18/98

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90's students lack political interest

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still well below the number from 1968. When MSU students were asked if they believe that keeping up with political affairs was important, 25% of them said that it was. The majority of this 25% believed that while politics were not important in their lives right now they would be important one day. 30% of MSU students polled believed that their votes did not even matter. Second year student Ryan Bradbury had this to say when asked if he believed if his vote mattered. "Yes, I believe that our vote is our voice, it allows us to have a say in how the government governs."

Several reasons have been given to explain the drop in political interest among young adults. They include a sense of powerlessness, a lack of burning issues and a desire to shun political labels, as well as a reluctance to argue with people in a new social setting. Many young adults across the country feel that their opinions do not matter in the political scheme of things. The lack of burning issues may be a result of people being content with society. A poll of 250,000 students found that 55% of students identified themselves as middle of the road, not being committed to either the Republican or Democratic Parties. College campuses are generally a place where many cultures, religions, and political views may merge and what kind of first impression would a heated political argument leave?

To recap, MSU is right on the national average as political involvement is concerned. But we as a nation are still in the shadow of the politically active students of the late 60's and early 70's.

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MSU mourns the loss of two respected professors

Dr. Kenneth Aman’s life remembered after 14 years of loyal service at Montclair State

By Kara Richardson

A vase of flowers was left outside of the late Dr. Kenneth Aman’s office door where he was found dead on Monday, January 12. The gesture was representative of the outpour of emotion and admiration following the news of his sudden and shocking death at the age of 60.

During the calling hours at the funeral home on Thursday, January 15, many of Aman’s former students took the time to speak with Dr. Aman’s wife, Lenore Smith-Aman about his influence on their lives.

Lenore Smith-Aman shared the student’s comments. “They talked about how much they appreciated his support, his patience and his interest in their lives. They described how much his encouragement meant to them and what a difference it made to their experience at Montclair.”

She added that it was these sorts of comments that would have given him the greatest pleasure.

Kenneth Aman worked at Montclair State University since 1973. His work in the Philosophy and Religion department earned him honor and respect in his field and among his colleagues. One such colleague, Dr. Alice Freed, Professor of Linguistics met Dr. Aman in 1973 and the two had been friends and colleagues since.

She mentioned that “on one hand he was a genuine scholar and philosopher and on the other he was a human gentle and kind man. Few people value and balance family, friends and work like he did.”

Dr. Aman earned a Ph.D. from Yale University in Philosophy, a master’s degree in philosophy from Fordham University and a master’s degrees in both divinity and theology from the Maryknoll Seminary. For the last twenty years, he pioneered scholarships on the ethical issues arising from human rights violations worldwide, with a particular focus on Latin America.

Dr. Michael Kogan of the Philosophy and Religion Department said, “Ken was a tireless worker for our department as Deputy Chair for fourteen years. He was deeply engaged in our campus affairs and totally committed to the betterment of our community.”

Dr. Aman was committed to the plight of order and justice. He made several trips to Chile both before and after the rule of Pinocchio. He often helped the poor and oppressed. Kogan added, “a theme in Ken’s work was to apply religion socially...in which we would build a society in which every person would be treated with a wonderful sense of humor. I remember watching him push his son in a wheelchair in the snow and he had a smile on his face.”

De Aman was a member of the executive board of the International Development Ethics Association (IDEA), the Interreligious Task Force on Central America, and the Commission for Justice and Peace of the Archdiocese of Newark.

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De Aman is survived by his wife Jane of 36 years; two sons, Michael and David.

Private services were held for Dr. Aman, although the Fine Arts Department will likely celebrate Leon’s life and contributions to Montclair State sometime in the Spring semester.

Member of Fine Arts Faculty, Leon De Leeuw dies after 34 years at Montclair State University

By Kara Richardson

Leon De Leeuw of the Fine Arts faculty passed away on Monday, December 15, 1997 at Franklin Medical Center. His 34 year career at Montclair State University touched the lives of many.

De Leeuw, a skilled painter was hired at the last minute by Lillian Calcia. His painting technique was admired and taught for years to come. De Leeuw earned both his undergraduate and master’s degrees from New York University.

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Gearing up for Super Bowl XXXII

By Carrie Jeppson
Asst. Feature Editor

If you are planning on participating in Super Bowl festivities this Sunday, here are some party tips and food recipes that can help with those last minute problems.

First a reminder: kick off is at 6:18 PM., so plan accordingly.

Make sure you provide enough beverages.

Denver fans may want that Rocky Mountain high found in Coors to bring them closer to the game. For Green Bay lovers try some Rolling Rock in the green bottles.

*Note: Drink Responsibly! Take it easy in the first half so you can remember the second, and always make sure you have a designated driver.*

Have multiple televisions in different rooms so that there is not an overcrowding, and everyone is able to see the game.

If you don’t enjoy football, don’t ruin it for the people who do. Be understanding, and stay out of the way.

These are just a few ideas compiled from many people. There are many options for fun on Super Bowl Sunday. Most importantly, enjoy yourself and may the best team win.

Here are some mid-game munchies to try:

**Green Bay Cheese Head Dip**

This sauce is good as a dipping sauce for fresh vegetables.

- 1 cup lightly packed basil leaves
- 1 ounce blue cheese
- 1 teaspoon minced garlic

Salt for taste

3/4 cup regular or low-fat cottage cheese, or ricotta

Wash, dry, and stem basil leaves. Place the basil, garlic, cottage cheese or ricotta, and Gorgonzola in a food processor or blender and process until mixture is completely blended. Taste and add salt as necessary. Refrigerate in a covered container until used; it will keep only 2 days.

**For Denver Bronco Hot Wings**

You will need:
- chicken wings
- ketchup
- sugar
- red wine
- tobacco sauce

Combine ketchup, sugar, red wine and tobacco sauce in a pot and whisk until the sauce reaches the right consistency. When the wings are done, dump them in the pot and shake until well coated. Eat at your own risk!

Calling a truce

Working out a truce before living quarters turn into war zones

By William Lee
College Press Service

Leslie Gray sits happily in her new single dormitory room at Western Illinois University. Although she is excited about having the room she’s always wanted, she can’t help but be reminded about the circumstances that resulted in her switching from a double to a single dormitory. The two foes battle over such vital resources as the television, phone, closet space or the stereo. Ultimately, the victor gets total control of their room, while the loser gets nothing.

As anyone with a roommate can tell you, with partners come conflicts. “Every roommate relationship goes through its conflict stage,” said Jude Kaia, WIU’s complex director. “It’s just a matter of the duty to deal with conflict and compromise...it’s not unlike a marriage.”

To avoid pairing two students, such as a smoker and non-smoker, who may have obvious differences, many universities have added questionnaires to the admissions ritual. Some colleges send out a short survey to incoming students that attempts to pair roommates who may share similar interests and habits. “It really helps,” said Rev. John Mendenhall, a resident hall director at Howard University. “It’s necessary for us to best put people together.”

Laura Riley, a hall director at the University of California at Los Angeles, agrees. But she adds many times incoming students fail to fill out these questionnaires truthfully, and as a result, some partnerships are doomed from the beginning. “If you give misinformation, you’ll be paired with someone who is not compatible. It creates instant conflict.”

But why would anyone lie? “Some people exaggerate on the questionnaire and don’t answer honestly because their parents are looking over their shoulder,” said John Biernbaum, complex director at IU. “This particularly is a problem when dealing with students who are smokers” but mark on the questionnaire that they are non-smokers.

Once students move in, it’s up to them to keep an open mind and to build a civil relationship with their roommate. That doesn’t always happen. For one, students may have different approaches to sharing or different concepts about privacy than their roommate. “Some people grew up in their own rooms, some had brothers and sisters, and a lot of the time that determines incompatibility,” said Biernbaum.

Other students may try to take charge of the room immediately. Before the other roommate has a chance to comment, posters are hung or the furniture is rearranged. The slighted roommate may be too eager to make friends, so doesn’t speak up.

“New students put forth an extra effort to fit in,” explained Riley. “Little things are done and nothing is said...and if you don’t start to speak up then the tension is going to grow and build.”

Once the communication breaks down, tension builds. Mendenhall, a 20-year veteran resident director at Howard, probably put it best when he said, “Lay your cards on the table. Make the most out of it. They could be one of your best friends.”

He is best friends with his college roommate to this day.
Breaking the cycle of Alcoholism: AA and alternatives

By Matt Lore

Staff Writer

Attorney General Janet Reno stated earlier this year that alcoholism is involved in 90% of campus rapes and 95% of campus violence.

No fewer than 9.5 million drinkers are in AA 2-20.

According to the National Household Survey on Drug Abuse by the US Department of Health and Human Services there are 109 million current alcohol users, about 31% of the total population 12 and over.

About 32 million of that group engage in binge drinking which is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion at least once during the month previous to the survey.

Heavy drinkers make up a group of 11 million people, about one in ten drinkers or 5.4% of the total population of the US.

In 1994 there were approximately 4.1 million new users of alcohol, up from 3.3 million in 1991 and recent numbers suggest the trend is continuing.

With a total of 43 million people drinking to excess there are millions of potential problem drinkers.

Some drinkers stop on their own, according to The Harvard Mental Health Newsletter “only 10% of all alcohol abusers are ever treated at all, but as many as 40% recover spontaneously.”

People suffering from drinking problems have more choices concerning how to quit than ever before, besides Alcoholics Anonymous there are some relatively new groups like Women for Sobriety (WFS), Secular Organizations for Sobriety or Save Our Selves (SOS), and Rational Recovery (RR).

For 2 million recovering alcoholics the 12 step “One day at a time” approach of AA (telephone 973-472-2434, Web: <http://www.aa.org/enhp.html>) and regularly attending meetings with other alcoholics is the tried and true method of recovery.

WFS was founded in 1935 by Bill Wilson (Bill W.) and Dr. Robert Smith (Dr. Bob) and was originally part of the Oxford Group Movement.

The largest, oldest and reputedly best open AA meeting in Northern NJ takes place every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. at the Central Presbyterian Church at 46 Park St. in Montclair.

The meeting I attended there was a celebration of people’s anniversaries of sobriety.

Every chair was filled, many people had to stand.

Some of the attendees addressed the meeting, telling stories of how and why they began drinking, how they managed to function and support their drinking habit, and how they eventually realized they could not do both.

Talking to three different AA participants can give three very different pictures of AA.

Demeter (not her real name) has been in AA for 15 years since she was 21 and goes to 5 AA meetings a week. “We call it night school,” she says.

She started going to AA after having a really bad blackout at a time in her life when she felt that “I didn’t know what to do with myself anymore. I was totally disgusted with myself... someone I trusted offered to go with me to my first meeting.”

Julius (not his real name) is 50 years old and has been sober through AA for 12 years.

He told me, “I used to wake up in the morning with a terrible hangover and I would say to myself ‘I am going to quit drinking for the rest of my life’ by 10 o’clock I would say ‘well I’ll drink when I retire’ then by 2 or 3 o’clock it would be ‘only on weekends’ and finally by that night I would be drinking again... The simplicity of the one day at time concept is that today is the most important day and I just have to stay sober for today and it works.”

According to Julius, who has been involved locally in an administrative capacity with AA, AA is not affiliated with any other organization and every AA local group is autonomous.

Decisions on things like how to deal with people sent by the courts due to DWTs or other violations are made by consensus at meetings called group conscience meetings.

Julius contends, as do many AA members, that AA is a spiritual and not a religious program and he says, “Atheists can believe in higher power too, spirituality means you believe in something greater than yourself whatever it may be.”

Not everyone who has been in AA is satisfied with the program.

Diana (not her real name) was in AA for 6 years and of the six she stayed sober for all 6 and a half.

“She people in AA just trade addictions, they start sleeping with everyone drugs or alcohol but she spoke of her friends. “Of the 20 people I knew back then less than one half have found themselves in trouble with drugs again, half of those I have gone back to AA and three have died.” She concluded, “AA is very restrictive and very limiting, it limits your life.”

Julius says some people in AA are called “AA nazis” by other members and are real sticklers for detail when it comes to the twelve steps and rules but he adds, “I can sympathize with them because they feel that their lives depend on it, and they do.”

AA has tried to accommodate atheists, women and narcotics addicts in recent years.

There are AA meetings made up entirely of women and AA members claim there are many atheists who participate.

In addition to this AA publishes material intended to help “luners” people who have trouble attending meetings regularly.

There is an AA meeting for students every Tuesday at 3:30 at the wellness center in Blanton Hall on the Montclair State Campus call 655-7746 or 509-2780 for more information.

WFS (Telephone: 1-800-333-1606, Web: <http://www.mediapulse.com/wfs/> Email: WFSobriety@aol.com>) is a secular organization that was started in 1996 by Deane Kinpatrick (no relation to the Reagan era US Ambassador) in response to such large numbers of women who had difficulty utilizing programs of substance abuse recovery that were then available.

WFS places the number of women suffering alcoholism at 7.5 million.

WFS has meetings similar to AA but smaller in size, according to their literature “The ideal group size is from 6 to 10 women. However, you can begin a group with just 2 women.”

WFS is not affiliated to any other organization and local WFS groups are autonomous in making decisions for their members.

Members of WFS may also be members of AA.

Both organizations share a common purpose and according to their stated policies neither organization wishes to become involved in any public controversy and both try to maintain the anonymity of their members.

People who are uncomfortable with the spiritual content of AA’s 12 steps and other AA literature may be interested in Secular Organizations for Sobriety or Save Our Selves (SOS) (Telephone: (310) 821-8430, Web: <http://www.codesh.org/sos/>) Email: <sosla@loop.com>.

James Christopher, a second generation alcoholic, founded SOS after an enthusiastic response to an article he wrote that was published in Free Inquiry, a leading secular humanist journal.

SOS maintains that sobriety is a separate issue from religion or spirituality and credits the individual for achieving and maintaining his or her sobriety without reliance on a “Higher Power.”

SOS meetings are made up of alcoholics and additives in recovery.

According to SOS’s literature, self reliance, use of the scientific method to understand ones addiction, and a healthy skepticism are components of its program of sobriety.

WFS has helped to publicize the June 1996 case in which the New York court of appeals ruled that requiring alcoholic prisoners to attend AA meetings in prison in order to get time off for good behavior was unconstitutional. The judge said, “After a fair reading of the doctrinal literature of Alcoholics Anonymous [the twelve step program of Alcoholics Anonymous] ... unequivocally religious.”

James Christopher later commented, “Prison officials nationwide are beginning to understand that the twelve step program has to be unequivocally religious.”

James R. Gaddis
MSU American Humanics Student Association travels to Colorado for conference

The MSU chapter of the American Humanics Institute in Denver, Colorado.

By Rob Katenwein
Staff Writer

From January 2 - 5, nine members of the Montclair State University American Humanics Student Association joined other Humanics students from across the country at the American Humanics Management Institute (AHMI) in Denver. Participating the management institute is a requirement of students seeking American Humanics certification upon completion of their degree.

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One of the major parts of AHMI is the senior agency interview session. Graduating seniors are given the opportunity to interview with national nonprofit agencies in the hope of landing a job with them. Laurie D’Antoni, a junior at Montclair State said of the interviews, “I am only a Junior, but the opportunity to interview with top-level management was a great learning experience. It is an opportunity that everyone should take advantage of,”

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If you are interested in getting involved with Montclair State University’s American Humanics Student Association, or just finding out more about it, please call (973)655-7574.
Black ‘47 brings Irish-American sound to Montclair

By Gabrielle Wild
Assistant Arts Editor

The Sweet Hereafter is a compelling movie about how an accident destroys a small town, and the brave teenager that brings the community back together again. Directed by Atom Egoyan, “The Sweet Hereafter” is the movie adaptation of Russell Banks, widely acclaimed and best-selling novel. Winner of the Grand Prize at the 1997 Cannes Film Festival, the movie was filmed in British Columbia which is fitting since the movie is set in the fictional town of Sam Dent, a small town in Canada. Sam Dent is a small town where everyone knows everyone else, as well as their business. When the local school bus crashes through a steel guard rail and plunges into an icy lake, killing fourteen children, the town begins to play a game of “pin the blame on the donkey.” Of course, “the donkey” comes in many forms for many different people, such as: the bus driver, the construction company that installed the guard rail, the people that constructed the school bus, and even the mother nature herself. But, as the movie poster states, “there is no simple truth.”

Mitchell Stephens, Esquire (Ian Holm), a lawyer from New York City, comes to town to convince the distraught parents to file a lawsuit. One by one, he convinces them. Holm plays this deceitful part well. Stephens’ personal life is also weaved into the movie in an interesting way. Every so often the movie’s backbone is money. Stephens’ backbone for his lawsuit.

Nicole (Sarah Polley) was one of the few fortunate children to survive the accident even though she is now confined to a wheelchair for the rest of her life. Her parents encourage her to give her testimony of the accident so that the lawsuit will be stronger. Stephens’ even bribes her, in a sense, by giving her a computer. She ultimately agrees and gives one hell of a testimony. Billy AnSEL (Bruce Greenwood) is one parent that refuses to even hear what Stephens has to say. Ansel, a widower, lost both his children in the accident and just wants to go on with his life as the local mechanic. Stephens even sells him a home, the second thing he wants. Black 47 plans to release a live album in March, and their fourth studio album by next fall. Be sure to catch Black 47 at Tierney’s when they return this semester. You’ll have to have to show proof of age, but as Kirwan says, “It’s such bullshit, you’re under 21 thing. You can join the army and die, but you can’t get a drink.”

The Sweet Hereafter captivates audiences

TIME TO GO! Fans pump their fists and sing along at Tierney’s Tavern on Valley Road.

The Sweet Hereafter

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Black ‘47 brings Irish-American sound to Montclair

Thursday, January 22, 1998

Black ‘47 brought their distinctive Irish-American sound to Tierney’s Tavern on Valley Road in Montclair. The band is well known for their engaging set list. However, the town of Sam Dent, a small town in Ontario, is not the only place where this charming band has been well received. The Sweet Hereafter is a highly acclaimed and best-selling novel. The movie adaptation of the book is also highly anticipated. The Sweet Hereafter is directed by Atom Egoyan.

The movie follows the story of a small town that is forever changed when a school bus crash kills several children. The town is left in shock and struggle with guilt and grief. The movie is told through the perspectives of various characters including the bus driver, the parents of the victims, and the townspeople. The characters are complex and their emotions are conveyed with depth and authenticity. The movie is a testament to the power of music and its ability to heal.

The band’s set list is a mix of traditional Irish music and contemporary songs. The music is performed with passion and energy, captivating the audience. The band’s lead singer, Ian Holm, delivers powerful vocals and connects with the audience on a personal level. The band members move seamlessly from one instrument to another, showcasing their musical talent.

The Sweet Hereafter is a must-see for music lovers and fans of engaging storytelling. The band’s unique sound and the movie’s compelling narrative make it a truly unforgettable experience.
Ways Of Our Lives

By Victoria Tengelics

Welcome to the Soaps! Here's the lowdown on the crazy plots and storylines that I love so much.

One Life to Live: Mel was arrested but Viki came and bailed him out. Joey tries to talk to Dorothy but she shuts him out. Mel and Dorothy move closer to their relationship. George continues to work on his magic on Nora and Bo. Nora suggests George move in with Rachel. George apologized to Bo for getting Nora to represent Blue Jay Records. Of course, Bo told her that everything was okay and she left smiling.

General Hospital: Emily invited Jason and the baby to the Quartermaine house for her birthday. Upon their arrival the Quartermaines attempt to steal the baby from Jason. Justus assists Jason with the situation and they leave with the baby. After losing her temper and blowing up at A.J., Edward and Alan, Emily snuck off to Jason's apartment. Jason offered Justus a job and Justus admitted not feeling comfortable with the Quartermaines. He also told him the truth behind Daimon's murder.

Port Charles: Joe and Karen finally get it on amongst flames of passion. While removing each other's clothing Karen's sweater got too near the fireplace and set off the smoke alarms. After the fire department left they finally had their chance to make love in the ashes. Chris

is determined to win the Quartermaine Residency.

All My Children: David accused Jake of deliberately administering the wrong medication to Adam to gain revenge. Jake and Allie figure out that David set Jake up for a fall. Jim tries to explain the explosions in his bag to Brooke before she talks to Pierce. Tad sets up a meeting with the mystery woman but Liza shows up first and accidentally scares her off. Allie wants to spill her guts to Joe in order to clear Jake, but Jake won't let her. Jim professed his true feelings to Brooke. Trewar announced Edmund about Jim, even though Edmund insists he and Brooke are just friends.

The Young and The Restless: Dru went to Victor about her marital problems with Neil. Sarah is out of medication and without a refill. (This girl is going to blow!) Joshua asks Nikki to have his baby, a suggestion that stunned Grandma Nikki and totally ticked off the eavesdropping Sarah. Olivia asked Neil to give her sister another chance because Dru is so distraught. Danny won custody of little Phyllis. received supervised visitation rights. A hysterical Phyllis cried in Michael's arms.

As The World Turns: Molly bursts in on Lily and Holden as they are saying their vows. Upon finding out that the two were actually wed Molly says she has regained her memory and that Holden is the one who beat her. Jack shows up and says he has a tape that will clear Holden and show who the real attacker is. Jack, Carly, Molly, Tom and Margo go to the station to check out the tape but there is nothing on it. The DA calls for an immediate revocation of Holden's bail. Carly tries to talk Molly into telling the truth to no avail. (This girl is a psycho!) Lew shows up at Camille's apartment and attempts to restrain her claiming that he knows she loves him. Ben comes to the rescue and the police arrest Lew. Holden is arrested. Jack plans to go undercover and get Teague.

Guiding Light: While Dahlia was on the phone with Mimi, Jesse walks in, grabs the phone, and tries to get Michelle to tell him where she is. He wants to know if they are still together. Jesse talks Buzz into breaking into the Bauer home for clues on her whereabouts. Just as he discovers the phone number for the secret trunk shows up. Mr. Cedwick tells Vanessa that her illness is chronic and the baby should be aborted to save her life. Hunt bought Cassie the bar where she danced on the table on her arrival to Springfield. (Isn't that sweet?)

The Bold and The Beautiful: Sheila remains tied to the bed. Amber has a plan to get her singing career on its way. Taylor dreamed of what it would be like if Ridge showed up and found out that the baby was his. In her dream-world she imagined him saying that he wanted them to be a family. A nurse comes in and wakes her up and Taylor says she still can't fill out the birth certificate. Ridge and Brooke are on their honeymoon but he still has thoughts of Taylor going through his mind.

Sunset Beach: Mark is the next to get it but he doesn't die before he tells Tim that Ben is the killer. (What is it with this Scream theme?) Cole and Caitlin plan to marry. Michael catches Virginia. Ben recalls committing a crime.

Another World: Joe makes demands that Paulina see Father Gordon for help. Cindy finds Grant and informs him that Nikos is still alive and plans to go after Rachel again. Nikos sneaked up on Rachel. Carl enters and struggles with Nikos, but before Nikos can kill him Rachel shoots Nikos. Felicia arrives just before Nikos dies and they change a tender promise. Lila's plans to surprise Shane are spoiled by Vicky.

Days of Our Lives: Billie is pregnant with Bo's child and Hope knows it but Bo doesn't. Austin advises Billie to win Bo back with this news. Hope goes to Bo and breaks it off. Roman tells Kimberly that he knows about Marlena and John and promises his conviction to win her back. Kim is doubtful. Marlena and John discuss the situation for the umpteenth time and both agree that Roman is still in the dark.

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The original punk diva hits fans with new release

By Victoria Tengelics

Arts Editor

Joan Jett has been rocking the world for over a decade with such unforgettable hits as “I Love Rock N Roll” and “Bad Reputation.” Recently, Joan Jett and the Blackhearts released a collection of their greatest hits entitled Fit To Be Tied—great hits by Joan Jett and the Blackhearts, includes these famous titles plus thirteen other blasting tracks.

Jett started out with the Runaways, but after an unsuccessful attempt to win over American audiences, the band broke up and she moved on to work on a solo project with Kenny Laguna. After rejection from all the major labels, Jett and Laguna released her debut album, Joan Jett, under their own label, Blackheart Records. Once demand for the album increased, Jett was signed to Boardwalk Records and in 1981, the album was re-released under the title Bad Reputation.

Jett then formed the Blackhearts, which now consists of Thommy Price (drums), Tony Bruno (guitar) and Sean Koos (bass). Joan Jett and the Blackhearts have seen much success in the past, present and will on into the future. This year they plan to release a new album with all new tracks, plus a Runaways retrospective is also scheduled to come out. Jett will also appear in the upcoming film “Boogie Boys” by Craig Hamann and Roger Arvay. The band also contributed a track to the Iggy Pop tribute album, which will benefit the AIDS charity Lifebeat.

If you are a fan of 80’s rock this greatest hits album is a must. Although if you want a new style and sound you may be fit to be tied when you find it to be a lot of power chords and banging drums. The background vocals in songs like “Victim of Circumstance” and “Do You Wanna Touch Me?” were eerie and can make one feel as if they are at a garage band jam session. Of course, “I Love Rock N Roll” is one of my favorite songs on this CD; it brings back old memories. Track number four is a never before heard version of “Roadrunner” which is classic Jett.

Reproductions of the songs “Criss and Clover” and “Love is all Around” do justice to the originals. “To my dismay, her rendition of “Everyday People,” originally done by Sly and the Family Stone, is not the best version of this song. All is not lost though. In their new release of “I Hate Myself For Loving You,” Jett uses her untamed voice to captivate the listener. Another highlight worth mentioning on this album is “Cherry Bomb,” the only track from the album Glorious Results of a Misspent Youth.

My favorite pick, however, is the live version of “Little Liar.” She slows down her heavy style to bring the pain of an unfaithful lover to life.

Although some songs make you appreciate the programming option on your CD player, Fit To Be Tied—great hits by Joan Jett and the Blackhearts is an excellent buy for the devoted Joan Jett fan.

The Nixons come back with soul

By Victoria Tengelics

Arts Editor

The Nixons have captured my attention again with their latest release The Nixons. Since the first time I heard this talented group in 1995 with their debut album Foma, I have been a huge fan. Although the sound is distinct from their first recording, the soul and spirit of The Nixons still thrives in this album. The Nixons are the collaboration of Zac Maloy (vocals, guitar), Jesse Davis (guitar), Ricky Wolking (bass) and John Humphrey (drums).

The band has grown both musically and lyrically with The Nixons. They kick off the album forcefully in “Baton Rouge” with the lyrics, “This is our world, this is our time.” The lyrical genius of Zac Maloy shines through in “In Spite of Herself” telling the story of a girl who is trying to keep her life together; “And she lies if she says she’s okay/And she smiles as she fades/In the Fall” the band works together to form a truly incredible sound that will have you dying for more. “Sad, Sad Me” has an upbeat tune to go with its hopeful filled words.

The Nixons is an example of the band’s diversity with melodic ballads and powerful alternative rhythms. The Nixons use a rock base and melodic harmonies in “Screaming Yellow” which Maloy says “is about a playground war.” “December” is one of the best ballads on this album. The masterful piano workings of Gabriel McNair flow in this track, coupled with beautiful lyrics that, as Maloy explains, “is a song about missing someone and promising that you’ll be back.” Another fantastic tune is “Saving Grace,” in this song their spiritual and soulful messages first displayed in Foma, show forth again. If songs with edge are what you want “Butterfly” is the track for you; it features hard hitting guitar riffs and drum beats.

The Nixons have a style that cannot be surpassed. If you are into music with meaning and strong musical beats then The Nixons is the CD for you.
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A Service of Your Student Government Association
Recipe for a President

On January 12, Board of Trustees Chairperson Murray Cole announced that an official presidential search committee was selected. The twenty person committee is being chaired by BOT trustee Carlos Ortiz. The voting members are six faculty members, one professional staff/librarian, one support staff member, two administrators, one dean, one alumna, two undergraduate students, one graduate student, and two trustees. There is also a two person staff to act as a secretary and an observer.

This committee is charged with the responsibility of finding a replacement for Dr. Irvin Reid. Dr. Gregory Waters has been filling in as the interim president ever since October when Reid departed for Wayne State University in Detroit. Although there is no set date for when the committee will have Montclair State University’s next president, hopefully their nationwide search will move quickly so that MSU can get back to business as usual without the distraction of administrative upheaval.

The presidential search committee should focus on a few major criteria when they are sifting through the candidates. First, they should locate someone that will be able to work well with the faculty. It is extremely important for the professors to be able to establish a good dialogue with the president in order for MSU to function efficiently.

Second, the new president must have a shrewd business sense that will allow him to organize fund-raising events to keep our tuition low. In Montclair State’s quest to become a major state University like Rutgers, the president must be ever aware of the reason that so many students attend MSU. Its current low tuition makes it a major draw to students who might not be able to afford an education. This institution serves as a great resource for less fortunate students who desire higher education. The university should not lower its standards, but it should not shut its doors to deserving students who simply have trouble affording college.

Third, the president must possess some motivational capabilities in order to light a fire under the student body. MSU’s students suffer from widespread apathy when it comes to getting involved and taking part in what the university has to offer. The new president needs to shake up the people in charge of campus life in an effort to get the students moving.

The new president will have a tall order to fill in taking over the job at MSU. Hopefully, the new president will have all the skills necessary to keep our university always moving in the right direction while never losing sight of the school’s history and commitment to education.
President Clinton has again asked Congress to pass legislation to put a ban on human cloning in the wake of Chicago physicist Richard Seed’s announcement that he plans to clone a human being within 18 months. These developments have again fired up a debate that has been going on since Scottish doctors successfully cloned a sheep in 1997. Dolly the sheep is now world famous as the first ever clone of a mammal.

While this is an exciting scientific breakthrough which might open up a whole new world of genetic and hereditary research, the President’s legislation should be passed now to prevent greedy, fame seeking scientists like Seed from using this new technology for personal gain. This legislation will give time for cloning to be further researched, scientifically and ethically.

Clinton’s legislation would ban human cloning in the United States for at least five years. While human cloning probably should never be allowed to happen, it does not totally kill the possibility of it ever happening and gives ample time for the very new process to be researched. Cloning was only first successful less than one year ago. For someone like Seed to try and use a brand new, unproven and potentially unsafe procedure on humans this soon is irresponsible and dangerous. It takes years for certain drugs-to-be approved by the Food and Drug Association for human use. Yet, Seed wants to start cloning humans right away? There needs to be some kind of structure or guidelines regulating this type of science, and Clinton’s bill takes the first step.

The cloning of a human being is either something that should not be rushed into, or maybe not ever done at all. Nine European countries recently banned human cloning in joint agreement. Even the very scientist who first cloned Dolly the sheep, Ian Wilmut, told a Senate panel in Washington that, “(Cloning) humans would be quite inhuman.”

However, Seed doesn’t see it that way. He has his eyes set on a Nobel Prize. “Since I was nine years old I wanted to win the Nobel Prize in physics,” Seed told CNN. Should this man, who is not even a doctor, be allowed to live out his dream by toying with the work of God? If there are medical advantages that can be gained from this procedure, such as working towards curing diseases, then by all means it should be further researched. However, it should be researched thoroughly on animals first. Seed seems to be more concerned with getting it done on humans quickly so he can open up a cloning clinic and collect his Nobel Prize.

There are many positives that may come about from cloning. We may learn for certain what traits and aspects of humans, and other animals are hereditary and what traits come through life experience and one’s environment. However, there are major pitfalls and dangers to the use of this new science that also cannot be ignored. Genetic engineering was the motivation of Hitler when he planned to create the “perfect race” through genocide, and science. The technology he was looking for was far beyond his time, but now it is here. What if it were to fall into the wrong hands? What will happen if the next Hitler of the world gets his/her hands on this technology? I would love to know if I’m a naturally shy person because I have a gene for it or if it had something to do with my upbringing. Are homosexuals gay because of genetics or choice? There are many other questions that may be answered by cloning. However, you cannot justify using human life as guinea pig for these experiments. I’m sure that the answers to these and many other questions can be found through experimenting with cloning on other animal species. However, a human life should not be created out of an experiment.

Then there is the argument that cloning would be beneficial for infertile couples looking to have children. While this may help them, there are other proven methods to solve infertility that do not have the possible drawbacks that human cloning could have. In-Vitro fertilization, surrogate mothers, fertility drugs and adoption can help couples with this dilemma without the possible drawbacks that cloning brings.

Are we headed for a “perfect” society where the genetic traits of our children will be chosen for them? While it would be nice if diseases could be eradicated by locating the genes that trigger them (if such genes do exist), this technology will also allow us to decide to choose the traits of our children. What hair color and physical attributes before they are born and that is scary. Soon you may be able to order physical attributes for an unborn child like you order toppings for your underdelivered pizza. Having children is not a takeout order and nature should not be toyed with in this way. To prevent this from happening, steps need to be taken now, and President Clinton’s proposed legislation is the beginning of that process.

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**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR...**

The Human Genome Project holds more answers than cloning

Reading Mr. Casey’s article in the January 15 episode of The Montclarion titled “Scientific Progress Should Not Be Hindered; Cloning Should Be Pursued.” I could not help but notice some non-facts put forward by Mr. Casey as grounds for his argument. In as much as I agree with Mr. Casey that the scientific process should not be hindered and I share his enthusiasm in the progress being made; I believe that there is a need for caution where these matters are concerned. But before I digress any further, I would like to clarify some misconceptions put forward by the writer regarding the issue of genetic engineering.

First, Mr. Casey incorrectly makes the claim that “nobody really knows for sure what traits are genetic.” This statement is grossly incorrect. Not only are genetic traits known of, genetically inheritable traits are known of as well. These traits are determined from the study of three things. First is the genotype makeup of an organism in question. Second is the phenotype, the physical manifestation of the genotype. Third is the karyotype, the genetic map of the organism in question. Geneticists have studied these phenomena in their entirety and provided concise proofs as to their findings.

What is not known for sure is the degree to which the phenotype of an organism is altered by its environment. This brings us to the popular age old dichotomy of the nature vs. nurture issue which Mr. Casey also speaks about. Instead of going to either extreme of the dichotomy and attributing the human person to be a result of one or the other, we can not acknowledge that the resultant person is a result of the totality of the effects of the interactions of the naturally occurring (genotype), and society’s influence on its manifestation (phenotype)?

Mr. Casey also states that cloning is the absolute only way to prove if cancer is hereditary.” I’m sure that if he had taken the liberty to verify his sources, he would have found this statement to be incorrect as well. As a matter of fact, the Human Genome Project-a research body actively involved in fully mapping the genetic sequence of human beings, is very optimistic that their research should be complete in another 5 years. They have at least 3/4 of the human genome mapped out already and I’m almost certain that if this is done successfully, it would shed more light on the genetic backstory of the genetic code that has yet to be analyzed. If anything, I think mapping out the human genome is much scarier and more dangerous. It has its benefits because unlike cloning (which is no more than making an exact copy of an already existing genotypic template) genotypes are much more susceptible to manipulation.
Always observe the Golden Rule; be kind to your telemarketer

BASICALLY, JUST REMEMBER THAT TELEMARKETERS ARE PEOPLE TOO.

By William J. Gibbs Jr.
Editorial Columnist

How many times has this happened to you? You’re sitting at home with your family, eating a nicely prepared, home-cooked meal, enjoying that Kodak moment when all of a sudden the phone rings. You pick it up and suddenly you find yourself in the middle of a telemarketer’s pitch. Do you either kindly excuse yourself and request that you be called at another time, or do you rudely interrupt them, shout expletives at them, and hang up abruptly?

Those of you who chose the first solution may not get anything much out of this week’s column, for I commend your kindness. You see, my bone to pick is with the rude people who would choose the second approach to dealing with a telemarketer.

For those of you who are not aware of what the job is like, telemarketing is far from a glamorous job. If anything, most telemarketers are people that cannot, for whatever reason, get a better job where they would feel more productive and fulfilled. Instead, due to the need to make ends meet, many people become telemarketers. This often frustrating, tedious, somewhat menial line of work brings profit to anyone with a halfway decent speaking voice and a certain ounce of persuasiveness.

One important fact that I wish to point out right away is that not all telemarketers are soliciting. The word “solicit” itself implies the sale of something. If the person that calls you never mentions their intention to sell something to you, then they are not soliciting. Sometimes, telemarketers will be calling you in response to either giveaways or promotions to local companies. This will usually involve no cost or obligation. No cost equals no money and no money equals NOT SELLING YOU ANYTHING. Therefore, until you hear what the caller has to say, do not make an assumption based on what you think they might be trying to do. If you do jump to an incorrect conclusion, you will probably make yourself look very stupid to the telemarketer.

Now, even I have been forced to do telemarketing now and again. This is one of the easiest jobs to get hired at, no matter what your experience level may be. I have worked in two New Jersey counties for at least five companies that call within New Jersey, as well as all fifty states. No matter why or who I was calling, all of the people were different. Some listened and took advantage of the service I was offering, some kindly declined, but most of the were rude. My ability to handle rejection helped me to persevere.

Since I have telemarketed myself, I have a deeper knowledge of what it means to have to deal with people that you never see or hear from. The only way to make sure that you are not rude to the people that you never see or hear from is by being kind to your telemarketer.

Always observe the Golden Rule; be kind to your telemarketer.

PROBLEMS WITH SCHEDULING REQUIRED CLASSES

I would really like to know why a required course for any given major (or minor for that matter) would not be offered during the day as well as the evening. I think at least one session for the day student and one session for the evening student should be offered. It is essential to allow every student the ability to graduate in a timely manner.

Besides a commitment to college, many students must also work and/or arrange child care for school age children. Like other child care facilities, MSU’s child care facility does not accommodate for children older than six years of age or stay open past 8 p.m.

Working around the matter of selecting a course elective is, of course, a different issue and I want to make it clear that this is not the problem. The problem is being forced to continually rearrange one’s life as well as the lives of those around us when a REQUIRED course is only offered during the day for any given semester. Seems to me a REQUIRED course should be offered during the day as well. I’m sure the professors charged with the duty of making up the various course schedules are not doing this deliberately, but they should be made aware of the problems such scheduling causes. For me, it means finding a reliable baby sitter for young children, a required child care facility does not accommodate for children older than six years of age or stay open past 8 p.m.

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Reality is a sham.
Assorted ramblings and cynical outlooks on life.

This week: “Smack my granny up”

by John J. O’Sullivan

Immortal paragon of youth

Thirty years ago, American culture underwent one of the largest revolutions it has ever seen. The youth of America dropped out of society, dropped acid, and tripped out into la la land. Teens were dancing naked at Woodstock. The music, which changed popular aesthetic notions forever, espoused doing lots of drugs and sleeping with lots of people. To the youth, it was an innocent period where sexuality went through adolescence. The parents at the time, however, were flipping their lids.

Now, the same hippies who wanted to “make love, not war” are wearing Brooks Brothers’ suits and working in large corporate campuses. Their children (namely, us) are championing another revolution. Unfortunately, all of the good causes were already covered in the 1960s, so we’re still trying to think of what to revolt against. People give our generation a lot of flak, but what are we to do? The youth of the 60s had all the really good social causes. They fought for civil rights, pacifism, social liberalism, equality, yadda yadda yadda. We have...urn...animal testing and fur. I think that’s about it. So, instead of getting really into social protest, we get into putting little metal rings into every part of our body. It’s our parents’ turn to flip their lids.

You may ask, “John, what is the point of this little history lesson?” I’m glad you asked. I have no idea whatsoever. It sounded good though, right?

Seriously though, as we get older, we will eventually be flipping our lids at our children’s aberrant behavior. Our music will seem to be a clarion call of some sort of revolution, I guess. Our parents listened to the Beatles, Pink Floyd, the Strawberry Alarm Clock, Santana, Iron Butterfly, et al. Although they got somewhat heavy at times, the amount of dissonance doesn’t come close to the music we have. The question must be asked:

WHAT ARE WE GOING TO LISTEN TO WHEN WE GET OLD?

Our music now is perhaps some of the most noisy, loud, and raucous, jaded, technologically enhanced pop music ever written. Take the Prodigy, for example. Their music is loud and nasty. Their lyrics are as loud and nasty. They all look like loud and nasty circus freaks. But don’t get me wrong, their music was designed to get you freaked out of your mind. Whichever I get a huge caffeine rush, nothing is more cathartic than jumping around and flailing my arms about listening to The Fat of the Land. Listening to the Prodigy when lifting weights pumps you up and gives you more energy. But around fifty years down the road, are we still going to be screaming “smack my bitch up” at huge senior citizen raves?

Okay, concerts are going to be a hoot. Today (Thursday), I saw a picture of a sixty year old woman buying a ticket to a Rolling Stones concert. (Slight tangent: Keith Richards looks like a raisin. I guess years of burning his brain on just about every drug on the planet took its toll on him. I bet if you took locks of his hair and smoked them, you’d be stoned for the rest of your life. Sorry about the tangent, but it had to be)

See SMACK, cont. on p. 19
Aries (March 21 to April 19) A controversial issue has you and a family member at war. To save yourself from unneeded strife and pain, just agree with your father that Sean Connery was the best James Bond because obviously there’s something wrong with you. Connery exemplified Bond’s debonair character, living his excessive playboy lifestyle. He did, however prove to be a deadly adversary to any enemy of the Crown. Roger Moore?? Please, you must be sick.

Taurus (April 20 to May 20) You are communicating well with your advanced knowledge of the language. The language, however, is Esperanto.

Gemini (May 21 to June 20) You should consider the elderly this week. Yeah. That sounds good.

Cancer (June 21 to July 22) A freak snowstorm will keep you stranded at a Radio Shack for two days. You may not have food or beer, but at least you’ll have all the batteries you need!

Leo (July 23 to Aug. 22) Romance is a plus this weekend. Hell, romance is a plus anytime of the week. But do I see any? Nope. I wish I was a friggin’ Leo.

Virgo (August 23 to Sept. 22) A small Ukrainian midget named Fred will trip you on the way to class today. Punch him violently.

Libra (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Life sucks. Drink beer.

Scorpio (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) It’s not a good week to tackle a do-it-yourself project—primarily since you don't know how to use any tool effectively. Call up a handyman before you break a finger or something.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) You will be a bundle of kinetic energy this week—literally. Your clothes, which contain the flammable fiber “ramie” will burst into flame while you are cooking your dinner. Remember: Stop, drop, and roll!

Capricorn (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) When you're making plans for next week, make sure to pencil in your untimely death on Tuesday night at 6:24 p.m.

Aquarius (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) Focus on breathing this week. It's really important.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) Use as many coupons that you can. With the money you save, you'll be able to...well...not do very much. With the money in grand excess. Go to Tiffany's and blow $239,301.361 on a diamond-studded Cuisinart. You have my permission.
Parents everywhere: Flip your lids.

SMACK, cont. from p. 17

said and I didn’t know how else to do it. Thank you for your time. Now back to our regularly scheduled rant in progress.)

Sixty years old, and she still probably wants to bear Mick Jagger’s baby. Is this what we are going to be reduced to? Buying tickets for some Gen X concert forty years from now? Yikes. “Hi Ticketmaster, I would like two tickets for ‘The Oasis 30 Year Reunion Concert,’ and three for ‘The Senior Citizen Rave 2040—bring your own (prescription) drugs. Sponsored by Depend Undergarments and Effendil.’ How much does that come to? $25,602.13? Okay, charge it to my MasterCard.”

Wouldn’t that be a sight? Some swinging freakoid septuagenarians with wrinkly skin and tongue piercings hobbling around with pierced dentures (the wave the future, watch and see) cruising around the mosh pit at the Elks’ Hall in their wheelchairs, screaming in warbly Union. Hmm, Marilyn Manson in leather Depend’s? Don’t quote me on it, but it might happen.

We have to be the weirdest generation that has ever reared its head upon the world. We pierce just about every part of our bodies and get tattoos on the parts we can’t pierce. We color our hair just about every month (heck, look at me). Our clothes are insane, and we are too. And if we’re this weird, what’s our kids going to look like? What kind of music are they going to drive around in one of those little senior citizen mobility carts. Although, if you attached a V8 to it, you could have some fun. It would be fun to go from 0 to 60 in 2.1 seconds in the produce aisle at the ShopRite. That would rule. Hmm, maybe getting old isn’t so bad...

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Two sport athlete Jill Gastelu drives to the hoop during last Saturday's contest at Panzer Gym.
MSU women coming on strong with 70-56 upset victory over Rutgers-Newark

By Jason Lampa
Sports Editor

The Montclair State Red Hawks had three players score in double figures on the way to their second victory in a row with a 70-56 upset of Rutgers-Newark on Wednesday evening at the Golden Dome Athletic Center in Newark.

The Red Hawks dominated the entire game, jumping out to a 12-10 lead at the 13 minute mark of the first half, never to lose the lead. By the end of the first half MSU led 28-21 and extended that lead to as many as 25 points in the second half.

Montclair State was lead by their Senior captain Jill Schultz, freshman guard Aycsha Burney, and freshman center Marlena Lawrence. Schultz, the team captain and leading scorer, was fantastic in victory scoring 20 points while dishing out six assists and pulling down four rebounds. Burney shot 8 for 17 from the field scoring 17 points while dishing out four assists. Lawrence poured in 11 points and pulled down five rebounds.

With the victory Montclair is one game below .500 mark with a 7-8 record, 4-5 in the NJAC. In losing, Rutgers-Newark had their seven game winning streak snapped, falling to 10-4 overall, 6-3 in the league.

Earlier in the week, MSU lost to The College of New Jersey by the score of 71-65 on Saturday afternoon at MSU’s Panzer Gym.

At half time CNJ lead MSU by only seven points, 31-24, but after an injury to floor general Wykemia Kelley late in the first half, things went downhill for the Red Hawks. CNJ outscored MSU 40-21 in the second half, a half which would see MSU held to just 28% shooting from the field.

CNJ did the little things to win on Saturday which was a major factor in their 26 point victory. CNJ scored 25 points off MSU turnovers while MSU only got 11 (+14 for CNJ). When it came to second chance points, CNJ scored 17 while they held MSU to six (+11). Added together makes a +25 margin for CNJ.

One bright spot in the Montclair State loss was the solid play of the freshmen Lawrence who scored 15 points, grabbed eight rebounds, and blocked five shots.

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**Griffith was also named Player of the Week two weeks ago in the NJAC.**

Kyle Griffith have also put up some impressive statistics this season which have brought him national attention. In men’s basketball, junior forward Anthony Peeples is making a major impact in his first season here at MSU after playing his high school ball for Linden High School. Peeples has used his physically imposing presence to dominate the NJAC while receiving national attention. His 6-10 height and 250-pound frame have given him an advantage in the paint, where he leads the conference in blocks (1.9). In addition to his work on the mat, GCleta, a junior season has won seven times this season. Ghina, a freshmen from Romania, has been wrestling in the 150 pound division. Araki, a junior, point guard, and Dellagatta, a senior guard, have also received NJAC recognition. Kelley, a junior point guard, is an Academic All-American. Araki is third in the conference with 4.1 assists per game and ranks fifth in the conference in assists-and ranks 21st in the nation in free throw percentage (83.3%).

Schultz’s teammates, Wykemia Kelley, Ayesha Burney, Felicia Ingram, Lindsey Robinson, and Marlena Lawerence have also received NJAC recognition. Kelley, a junior point guard, is third in the conference with 4.1 assists per game and ranks fifth in the conference in assists-and ranks 21st in the nation in free throw percentage (83.3%).

In men’s basketball, senior guard Jill Schultz is having a solid season. Schultz ranks 11th in the NJAC in scoring at 12.7 points a game-ninth in assists-and ranks 21st in the nation in free throw percentage (83.3%).

Rookie of the Week - an award Peeples was named last three games. Peeples teammates B.J. Reilly and Raheem Rex (1.3).

By Jason Lampa

**MSU Sports Wire**

**By Jason Lampa**

**Sports Editor**

In men’s basketball, junior forward Anthony Peeples is making a major impact in his first season here at MSU after playing his high school ball for Linden High School. Peeples has used his physically imposing presence to dominate the NJAC while receiving national attention bringing down 10.5 rebounds a game trailing her teammate Lawerence 10.5, and tied for second in blocked shots (1.3). Peeples performance in the last three games MSU has played earned him NJAC Rookie of the Week - an award Peeples has won four times this season. In the last three games Peeples has scored 51 points while grabbing 37 rebounds and blocking 10 shots.

Peeples teammates B.J. Reilly and Kyle Griffith have also put up some impressive statistics this season which have placed them in with the NJAC Statistical Leaders. Reilly, a junior point guard from Middlesex, is first in the conference in both assists and steals. Reilly’s 5.6 assists a game is 12th best in the nation, while his 3.7 steals a game rank him 13th. Griffith’s (a senior out of Newark Tech) offensive talents have placed him 7th in the conference at 16.7 points a game. Griffith was also named Player of the Week two weeks ago in the NJAC.

On the women’s beat for MSU, senior guard Jill Schultz is having a solid season. Schultz ranks 11th in the NJAC in scoring at 12.7 points a game-ninth in assists-and ranks 21st in the nation in free throw percentage (83.3%).

Anthony Peeples attempts a shot in Saturday’s game against CNJ.
MSU turns cold in losses to Rutgers and CNJ

By Jason Lampa
Sports Editor

Rutgers-Newark, behind the 24 points of sophomore Jeron Rayam, upset Montclair State 74-62 on Wednesday night at the Golden Dome Athletic Center in Newark. The victory up Rutgers-Newark’s record to 6-8.4-5 in the NJAC while the loss drops MSU to 10-5, 6-3 in the NJAC.

Men’s Basketball

Rayam scored 15 of his 24 points in the first half as Rutgers-Newark in the final 3:18 of the first half outscored the Red Hawks 9-4 to go into halftime with a 36-31 lead. MSU was only five behind after shooting a dismal 31.6% from the field in the first while MSU’s opponent shot 46.4%. MSU’s shooting percentage didn’t get much higher in the second.

In the second half, MSU shot only 13-33 from the field (39.4%) while Rutgers-Newark was a single shot better (14-33 42.4%). The key to victory for the Scarlet Raiders lay from their success at the line. Rutgers-Newark was 12 of 14 from the free throw line (85.7%) while MSU got to the line seven times converting only four times.

MSU was led by point guard B.J. Reilly's team high 19 points, dishing out four assists, and collecting five steals. Yha’ru Jones had 15 points and six assists for MSU while his teammate Kyle Griffith had 12 points, grabbing eight rebounds.

As in the case of the Rutgers-Newark game, free throws would be the Achilles heel for MSU, as The College of New Jersey defeated them 90-77 in front of a crowd of 700.

CNJ wound up going to the line 27 times, converting 21 free throws. MSU got to the line only 10 times, making seven of them. CNJ had five players in double figures to boost their record to 12-1,7-1 in the NJAC.

Sophomore guard Joe Amari, who played for state powerhouse Shawnee High School, put on an offensive display with 17 points off the bench. In the excitement of the game, after hitting three of his 13 points in the second half, Amari turned to MSU’s bench and said in an arrogant tone, “Coach (Referring to MSU Head Basketball Coach Darryl Jacobs) get someone out here who can stop me.”

After being behind 32-23 with a little over five minutes to go in the first half, CNJ went on a 15-4 run which put them up by two at the half, 38-36. In this pivotal five minutes, CNJ got a huge lift from their senior leaders Todd Hartman and Dewey Ferguson. Hartman, who is somewhere in his late 20’s, scored six in the run while Ferguson added five. The elderly Hartman and Ferguson’s experience playing in the Tournament of Champions in high school for Piscataway has to be taken into account to explain the timeliness of their efforts.

The second half was an exciting 20 minutes of play. The half featured three ties until CNJ broke a 48-48 tie with a 9-2 run with 13:14 to play. When the clock ticked under ten minutes, CNJ had the lead 57-50, never to look back.

Ferguson had a game high 19 points for CNJ while Hartman had 18. Teammates Scan Covington chipped in with 15 points while Bill Burr pumped in 12 with a game high 13 rebounds.

MSU was lead by Mr. Everything, Anthony Peeples, who scored 17 points while pulling down 11 rebounds. Teammates B.J. Reilly and Raheem Rex each scored 15. MSU guard Kyle Griffith added 12 points for the Red Hawks in the loss.

MSU is now facing a six game road trip, their longest in nine years. In order to come out of this road trip over .500 (In the next six games), MSU must have strong performances by Griffith, who is probably the team’s best all-around player. His two 12-point performances in the last two games is simply not enough. Peeples is going to have to play well and Reilly and Rex along with Griffith are going to have to be at the top of their games. Good luck guys, we’ll be rooting for you.

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